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RESPONSE TO NOTIFICATION OF INSUFFICIENT FEES (DO/EO/US)

Sir:

In response to the Notification of Insufficient Fees (DO/EO/US) mailed on August 19, 2008 please find attached a copy of the U.S. PTO Acknowledgment Receipt evidencing that the \$1,000.00 fee was paid by e-Filer via RAM with Confirmation Number: 99, and a copy of the Preliminary Amendment as filed on June 9, 2006 evidencing only 20 claims were filed and only 2 were independent claims and no claims were multiple dependent.

Therefore, no fees should be due at this time.

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We trust that this matter is in order, but if there is any further action required please advise us immediately.

Respectfully submitted for Applicant(s)

By:____

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copy of Preliminary Amendment as filed on June 9, 2006 Copy of Notification of Insufficient Fees (DO/EO/US)

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SHOULD ANY OTHER FEE BE REQUIRED, THE PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE IS HEREBY REQUESTED TO CHARGE SUCH FEE TO OUR DEPOSIT ACCOUNT 13-0410.